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FM AMEMBASSY LONDON

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PASS WHITE HOUSE

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SUBJECT: CSCE STATE III: PRESIDENT FORD/PRIME

MINISTER WILSON HELSINKI MEETING

1. PRESS HERE SUGGESTING THAT LONDON BEING "STRUCK OFF THE LIST" BY PRESIDENT'S DECISION NOT TO VISIT U.K. DURING CSCE TOUR. IN EFFORT PRE-EMPT FURTHER CRITICISM, FCO URGENTLY REQUESTED EMBASSY APPROVAL FOLLOWING "IF ASKED" RESPONSE AT L230 FCO PRESS BRIEFING TODAY: "THERE IS NO QUESTION OF A SNUB. ARRANGEMENTS ARE IN HAND FOR A MEETING BETWEEN THE PRIME MINISTER AND THE PRESIDENT FOR A MEETING IN HELSINKI IN THE MARGINS OF THE SUMMIT CONFERENCE. SINCE THE INITIATIVE CAME FROM THE PRESIDENT, IT IS FOR THE WHITE HOUSE TO ANNOUNCE THE DETAILS."

2. AFTER LAST MINUTE, UNSUCCESSFUL EFFORT GET STATE/ WHITE HOUSE APPROVAL, EMBASSY CONCURRED IN FCO RESPONSE TO HELP FORESTALL POSSIBLE PUBLIC EMBARRASSMENT TO BRITISH GOVERNMENT.

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